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SUBJ: NORTH KOREA SIGNS NON-ALIGNED FUND AGREEMENT

1. LOCAL PAPERS REPORT THAT NORTH KOREA FORMALLY ACCEDED TO NON-ALIGNED FUND IN KUWAIT DECEMBER 29. AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED AT KUWAIT FOREIGN MINISTRY BY NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO IRAQ. FYI. NORTH KOREA DOES NOT RPT NOT HAVE FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH KUWAIT, ALTHOUGH IT DOES HAVE A RESIDENT TRADE REPRESENTATIVE HERE. END FYI.

2. COMMENT: AS DEPARTMENT AWARE NON-ALIGNED FUND WAS APPROVED BY FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE IN LIMA EARLIER THIS YEAR. WE ARE AWARE THAT SEVERAL COUNTRIES HAVE FORMALLY APPROVED THE AGREEMENT, BUT WE BELIEVE NORTH KOREA IS FIRST COMMUNIST COUNTRY TO DO SO. LOCAL PRESS REFERS TO NORTH KOREA AS "LATEST NON-ALIGNED COUNTRY" TO CONFIRM ITS APPROVAL TO FORM AND JOIN NON-ALIGNED FUND.

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